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FOLLOWING IS CONFERENCE ROOM PAPER 21- DRAFT
RESOLUTION ON ECLA' S ACTIVITIES IN CONNECTION
WITH THE ENVIRONMENT SPONSORED BY URUGUAY.
DEPT' S COMMENTS REQUESTED ASAP.

BEGIN QUOTE:

THE ECONOMIC COMISSION FOR LATIN AMERICA,

CONSIDERING THAT THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, AT ITS TWENTY- SEVENTH
SESSION, DECIDED TO ESTABLISH THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIORNMENT
PROGRAMME,

BEARING IN MIND THAT IN GENERAL ASSEMBLY RESOLUTION 2997
(XXVII) THE REGIONAL COMMISSIONS ARE INVITED TO INTENSIFY FURTHER
THEIR EFFORTS DIRECTED TOWARDS CONTRIBUTING TO THE IM-
PLEMENTATION OF ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME (E/ CN.12/957)
AND THE STATEMENTHUADE BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE PROGRAMME
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AT THE FIFTEENTH SESSION OF THE COMMISSION,

RECOGNIZING THAT ALTHOUGH THERE IS AWARENESS OF THE SERIOUS NATURE OF THE ENVIRONMENT PROBLEMS WHICH ARE AFFECTING THE LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, BOTH IN URBAN AND IN RURAL AREAS THERE IS STILL INSUFFICIENT KNOWLEDGE ABOUT THESE PROBLEMS AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH DEVELOPMENT,

RECOGNIZING FURTHER THAT IN LATIN AMERICA A MAJOR PART OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL PROBLEMS ARE THE RESULT OF UNDER- DEVELOPMENT,

TAKING INTO CONSIDERATION THAT THE SATISFACTORY QUALITY OF THE ENVIRONMENT IS AN ESSENTIAL ELEMENT OF SOCIAL WELL- BEING,

TAKING ALSO INTO ACCOUNT THAT THE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE MORE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO PROTECT THEIR ENVIRONMENT MAY HAVE ADVERSE ECONOMIC EFFECTS ON THE COUNTRIES IN THE GEOGRAPHICAL AREA OF THE COMMISSION,

1. TAKES NOTE WITH SATISFACTION OF THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME AND THE ARRANGEMENTS CONCLUDED BETWEEN THE PROGRAMME AND THE CLA SECRETARIAT FOR THE LATTER TO CARRY OUT THE STUDIES, RESEARCH AND ACTIVITIES REQUIRED IN THIS FIELD IN LATIN AMERICA IN PURSUANCE OF THE ACTION PROGRAMME ADOPTED BY THE UNITED NATIONS CONFERENCE ON THE HUMAN ENVIRONMENT;

2. URGES THE SECRETARIAT, IN ITS ACTIVITIES CONNECTED WITH THE ENVIRONMENT, TO GIVE SPECIAL IMPORTANCE TO CO- OPERATION WITH THE GOVERNMENTS OF THE REGION IN THE APPRAISAL OF THEIR ENVIRONMENTAL SITUATION; TO THE ANALYSIS OF THE NATURE OF THE ENVIRONMENT PROBLEMS IN LATIN AMERICA AND THEIR RELATIONSHIP WITH DEVELOPMENT, AND TO STUDY THE POSSIBLE EFFECTS ON THE REGION OF THE MEASURES TAKEN BY THE INDUSTRIALIZED COUNTRIES TO PROTECT THEIR OWN ENVIRONMENT;

3. RECOMMENDS THE SECRETARIAT, IN THE DISCHARGE OF ITS COMMITMENTS IN THIS MATTER, TO REQUEST THE CO- OPERATION OF THE UNITED NATIONS SPECIALIZED AGENCIES AND OTHER INTERGOVERNMENTAL ORGANIZATIONS WORKING IN THIS FIELD;

4. REQUESTS THE SECRETARIATS OF ECLA AND
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INSTITUTE FOR ECONOMIC AND SOCIAL PLANNING TO TAKE DUE
ACCOUNT IN THEIR RESEARCH, IN THEIR ADVISORY ASSISTANCE TO GOVERN-
MENTS IN THE FIELD OF PLANNING (BOTH OVERALL, AND REGIONAL AND
URBAN), AND IN SPECIFIC PROJECTS, OF THE QUALITY OF THE EN-
VIRONMENT AS ONE OF THE SOCIAL OBJECTIVES TO BE ACHIEVED.
END QUOTE.
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